

By **Marlane Rodriguez**

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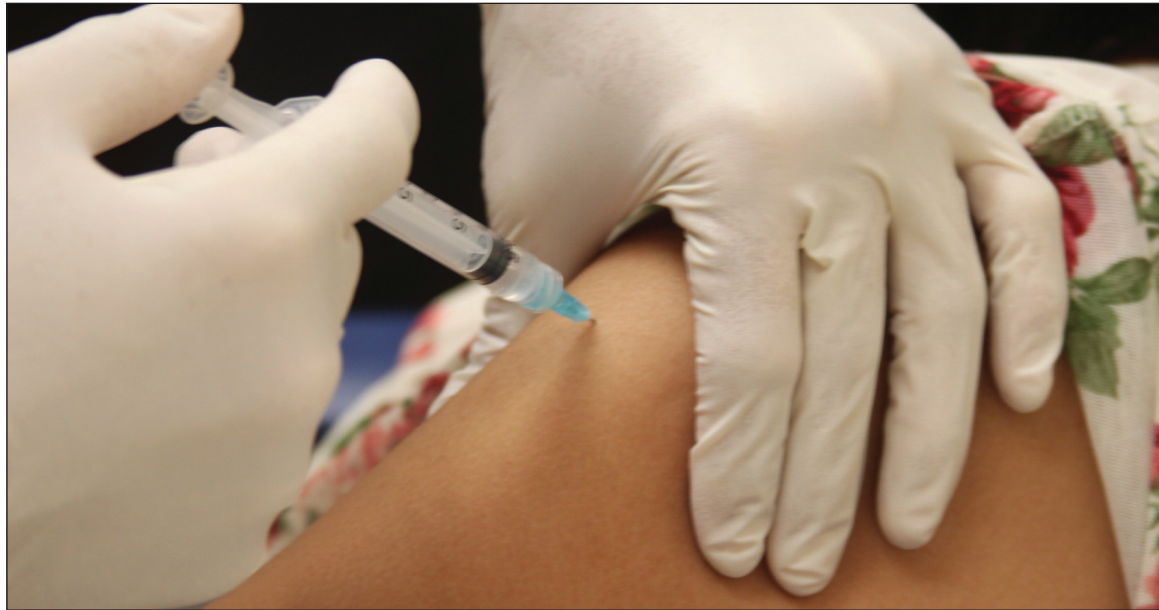
Sore throats, runny noses, headaches and fatigue could mean more than just a common cold. With the influenza season being unpredictable, students should start taking precautions against the virus now. “The flu season is already here,” Student Health Services Director Eugenia Curet said. “It’s usually around this time where it starts. Most flu seasons start from October to May.”

Curet said symptoms of the flu include chills, cough, fatigue, fever, headaches, muscle aches, runny nose and sore throat. Students catch the flu by not washing their hands and being around people who have the flu.

“It usually lasts a few days. You should go to your doctor and see what they have available [to treat you],” Curet said. “The biggest thing is [to] avoid spreading it to others.”

Students infected with the

## Survival: Health tips on how the flu to dodge the disease



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Medical Assistant Jacob Gutierrez administers the flu vaccine to a student last Tuesday at the Student Health Services clinic. Student Health Services had about 150 free flu vaccines left as of press time Thursday.

flu should stay home, rest, drink plenty of liquids and see a doctor if the flu gets worse, Curet said. Students are also

welcome to visit Student Health Services if sick.

“They come here; they are seen by one of the medical

practitioners,” she said. “The medical practitioners will examine them and probably prescribe the same thing: bed

rest, fluids and maybe some medications appropriate for it.”

Curet said students can prevent the flu by getting vaccinated as early as possible every year. Student Health Services offers the flu shots to students for free.

“Yes, every year we get 350 vaccines for free, for 350 students, first come, first serve,” Curet said. “We have provided about, so far 195, so we don’t have that many left.”

Medical Assistant Jacob Gutierrez, who has administered more than a thousand vaccines to students, said it is safer for the whole campus to be vaccinated.

“So they won’t pass on the sickness to other students and they won’t get sick from other students,” Gutierrez said.

Residential Life Director Douglas Stoves said there is a risk of catching the flu at Casa Bella as well.

“Certainly there is high potential,” Stoves said. “We have roommates with close

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## Enrollment decreases

By **Viridiana Zúñiga**

SPANISH EDITOR

UTB/TSC officials say 12,236 students are taking classes this semester, 800 fewer students than a year ago, but the numbers are not official yet.

“[The drop in enrollment] will affect our revenue stream because we rely to a great extent on tuition and state appropriations to cover our budget,” said UT-Brownsville Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Alan Artibise. “We are going to

## Preliminary statistics show nearly 7 percent fewer students at UTB/TSC

have a shortfall in revenue that we’re going to have to deal with in the coming year.”

He said the university will have to reduce expenditures during Fiscal Year 2012-2013 to make up any shortfall.

Students are already being distinguished as UTB and TSC students.

“We don’t ask students if they want to go to UTB or TSC,” Artibise said. “We ask them what their major is and what their intentions are ... so that is how the numbers are working their way through.”

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## Safe sex 101 HIV prevention, contraception methods among topics at Orange Well

By **Magaly Rosales**

THE COLLEGIAN

With Latinos being one of the groups most affected by HIV, UTB/TSC’s Student Health Services organized a presentation focusing on safe sex attended by more than 100 students.

“One reason we focus on HIV is because as Latinos ... we are the group with the second-highest [number of] infections in the United States,” Oscar Lopez, director of education of the



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Valley AIDS Council, said during the Orange Well event Aug. 31 in the SET-B Lecture Hall.

Lopez said Latinos are the No. 1 group in the United States to die the fastest from the disease.

“That is because as Latinos, we wait too long to get tested,”

Oscar Raúl López, director of education for the Valley AIDS Council, talks to students about how to prevent HIV infection during the Orange Well event, held Aug. 31 in the SET-B Lecture Hall. Orange Well was hosted by UTB/TSC’s Student Health Services Department.

he said. “Usually, by the time we get tested, it is because we are really, really sick, we are at the emergency room ... and they tell us ‘not only do [you] have HIV, but now you have AIDS.’”

About two months ago, a See **SAFE**, Page 7

## Medical school planning under way

First class to start in 2014, UT System official says

By **Samantha Ruiz**

THE COLLEGIAN

Students will be able to study a broad range of medical professions at a regional medical school that will include locations in Brownsville, Edinburg and Harlingen, with some programs in Laredo.

“The point is that we already have facilities that are available for this purpose, but it will be

regional,” said Dr. Kenneth Shine, executive vice chancellor of Health Affairs for the University of Texas System.

On Aug. 17, UT System Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa announced plans to expand medical education in South Texas and graduate the first class in 2018.

The system’s goal is to have a comprehensive medical school, meaning research as well as education and patient care. It would be an independent, free-standing medical school, Shine said.

The students, who are



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expected to start classes in Fall 2014, will have the advantage of collaborating with physician assistant students and will have opportunities for interdisciplinary education.

Some classes in the Rio Grande Valley’s first medical school will be taught in the Biomedical Research and Health Professions Building on the UTB/TSC campus. Plans call for the first medical school class to begin in Fall 2014, University of Texas System officials say.

Shine said the medical school is expected to accept about 15 students in the first year, but the goal is to have 50 students per year, a number that is expected to grow over a period of time.

“The requirements will be the usual requirements of pre-medical education for a medical school,” Shine said. “But they are in evolution because we have a program called TIME (Transformation in Medical Education) of which Brownsville and [UT] Pan-Am are participants.”

Through TIME, students in pre-medical education can begin to gain credits in medicine as undergraduates.

Shine said the students will get a “holistic” experience through undergraduate courses and medical school courses combined through TIME.

TIME gives students the opportunity to gain their medical degrees in under eight

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# A city for all ages

Expert presents initiatives to promote a vibrant community

By Eréndira Santillana  
THE COLLEGIAN

Guillermo “Gil” Peñalosa, executive director of the Canadian nonprofit organization 8-80 Cities, touted his formula for making cities vibrant and healthy communities for all during a lecture Aug. 28 at the Camille Playhouse. 8-80 Cities is a nonprofit organization based in Toronto, Canada. Its mission is to contribute to the creation of vibrant cities and healthy communities where residents live happier and take great joy and comfort in their public spaces, according to the organization’s brochure. “I came to Brownsville because I met Commissioner

Rose M.Z. Gowen at an event in Austin about obesity in Texas,” Peñalosa said. “There, we talked about topics of cities for the people.” He said the two countries in the world with the highest obesity rates are the U.S. and Mexico, and that diabetes and obesity are interrelated. He explained that this situation has “not always been this way,” noting that in 1985, the country’s obesity rate was below 10 percent. Currently, the number is approaching 33 percent. “Edinburg and Brownsville occupy, respectively, the first and second major rate of obesity in Texas,” Peñalosa said. “If we get people physically active, if we can get people to walk and use the bike, we will make people live longer, reducing heart problems, breathing [problems], anxiety and depression.” U.S. and Canada constitute the countries with the least amount of bicycle riding,

according to his presentation. “It is a shame that many governmental sites such as universities, public schools, hospitals, etc., sell junk food,” Peñalosa said. “These governmental entities should lead by example.” He said the No. 1 reason for obesity is consumption of sugary drinks such as cola and suggested banning its sale in public places. Peñalosa said the City of Philadelphia subsidized convenience stores in poor neighborhoods in order to promote healthy food to everyone at a cheaper price, “otherwise, people will keep eating junk food to save a few cents.” “Cities are like pasta,” Peñalosa said. “[Those] with condiments are good for children and the elderly.” The four ingredients to achieve sustainable mobility in cities are pedestrians, cyclists, public transportation and public space facilities. He said that creating cities for all is not an economic or



ERÉNDIRA SANTILLANA/COLLEGIAN

Guillermo Peñalosa, executive director of 8-80 cities, offers ways to convert Brownsville into a “Vibrant Community” during a lecture Aug. 28 in the Camille Playhouse. engineering issue; instead, it is about how we want to live, to reach sustainable happiness, equality and democracy, giving the example of Colombia, a country with one-eighth the per capita See AGES, Page 7

# What’s up with the ocelot?

Officials working on image campaign for new mascot

By Marlane Rodriguez  
THE COLLEGIAN

On Aug. 31, the ocelot was announced as the University

of Texas at Brownsville’s new mascot. However, won’t be seen until 2013.

Mari Fuentes-Martin, associate vice president for Student Affairs and dean of students, said the process of changing UTB’s image will happen naturally. “I think right now what we need to do is start building our identity, and that we will be the UTB Ocelots,” Fuentes-Martin said.

She said the university needs to work on an image campaign. “There are a lot of things like an alma mater and a chant that needs to be developed. ... We need to do some marketing and branding, UTB T-shirts with the ocelots.” Fuentes-Martin said there is no campaign organized yet, but students will be recruited for their input. “This is part of building new traditions, so we will be looking for student input to create and develop a lot of these things,” she said. “Those are all the things that need to start happening soon. I think it will just happen naturally as we progress with our business when decisions have to be made.” Athletics Director Todd Lowery said he is excited to see the ocelot on the university’s athletic teams’ uniforms next season. “I think it’s a new time at UTB and it will be a new face for our athletic programs,” said Lowery, who also serves

as head volleyball coach. “I think, overall, from athletics, everybody is excited about it and, hopefully, we can start using it pretty soon.” Michael Boster, a master technical instructor in the Engineering Technology Department, said the ocelot was his favorite choice from the five candidates. “I thought the others were too obscure,” Boster said. “I think ocelots are native to our area and I think they are a beautiful animal, and I’m just happy that we have the ocelot. I think it represents us,” he said. Student Government Association President Arturo Guerra said he loves the new mascot. “Well, it’s an animal we can actually find here,” said Guerra, who is pursuing a master’s degree in business administration. For some students, such as sophomore physics major Eduardo Andrio, the ocelot was not their first choice. See OCELOT, Page 12



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# West Nile makes it south

## State officials warn Valley residents to take precaution

By Joe Molina  
COLLEGIAN EDITOR

It's a small, gray mosquito that is rather nondescript and tends to hide under things, gets inside your house and bites people, exposing its victims to diseases, such as the deadly West Nile virus. "We know that the virus is nearby," said Dr. Brian Smith, Rio Grande Valley regional director for the Texas Department of State Health Services. "It's just that we've not had any [human] cases in Cameron or Hidalgo counties that [...] have been reported."

*Culex pipiens quinquefasciatus*, also known as the southern house mosquito, is the most common vector in Texas, according to Smith. The bite-transmitted

disease can affect anyone of any age group. Symptoms of the virus include fever, headache, bone and muscle pain and rashes. People over the age of 50 and those who suffer from immune suppressions tend to suffer the most severe symptoms, such as paralysis, convulsions, encephalitis and meningitis, all of which may result in death.

In a telephone interview Aug. 27, Smith said the West Nile virus is one of the families of viruses that first came to the U.S. in 1999 and since has spread throughout the country. "We had huge outbreaks of it in 2002 and 2003," he said. "We really have no concept of their [breeding] pattern, but typically these kinds of viruses will have outbreak years where you have more cases. That's

what's happening this year."

With the ongoing virus-related fatalities in North Texas, Smith said the reason West Nile virus is not as common a problem in the Valley as in the Dallas/Fort Worth area still eludes even the nation's best researchers. "We've had three human cases in Corpus Christi, one that we are investigating in Starr County [and] one positive blood sample from a blood bank in Cameron County," Smith said.

Because mosquitoes breed more rapidly in hot weather and last a lot longer in the Valley, Smith suggests people clean up their yards and get rid of any standing or "stinky" water. "Look out for tires in particular," he said. "That is a



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The West Nile virus is transmitted by mosquitoes. Eliminating mosquito breeding sites such as old tires and using larvicide to kill the offspring are some of the ways to reduce the possibility of infection.

big problem down here because it is a perfect breeding place for mosquitoes. If you find out that you've got West Nile in your community, then that's your [next] important step: You need to [use] larvicide to try and kill that larva."

Smith said he would not be surprised if West Nile

reports begin to emerge in the Valley in the coming months. "Our [mosquito breeding] season tends to go later into the year, so come August, September, and even October, we can still have cases here," he said.

# City officials propose highest tax rate possible

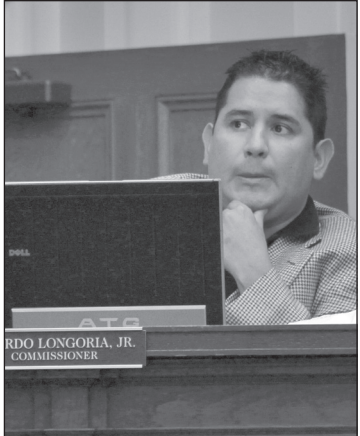
## \$214K added to general fund budget since last public hearing

By Joe Molina  
COLLEGIAN EDITOR

Besides adding four new positions, Brownsville city officials are now recommending implementing the highest tax rate allowable by law for Fiscal Year 2013. "We will have a public hearing on the 17th [of September] and we're going with the maximum [tax increase] amount of 4.57 percent," Finance Director and Assistant City Manager Pete Gonzalez said last Tuesday during the second of three public hearings on a proposed tax rate increase. "City commission has a decision to make between now and the 17th, when the tax rate [and the budget] gets adopted."

The newly proposed tax rate is 72.1129 cents per \$100 valuation, which would balance the budget and provide excess funds of \$1,100,617. It is the highest rate allowable by law without a public vote on the matter. City officials revealed

additional expenditures in the proposed \$88.2 million budget to provide funds for property rentals on East Madison Street, an administrative technician position for the city's animal control department, a customer



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District 1 Brownsville City Commissioner Ricardo Longoria Jr. reacts to the city adding a liaison officer for the mayor and city commission. service specialist for the city's emergency management

office, an additional assistant city manager position and a liaison officer for both the mayor and commissioners totaled \$267, 311. Officials did, however, trim the fund by \$53,033, transferring two city positions out of the general fund. "I thought you and your staff were liaisons," District 1 City Commissioner Ricardo Longoria Jr. told City Manager Charlie Cabler. "If the commission needs to be advised about something ... I've been

under the assumption it's always been you and your staff."

Cabler explained: "The idea is to have someone close that has more time to meet with the commission. Then [the liaison] would return to us so we could have time to sit down

and address many of the issues ... that [are] going on here."


Longoria said the commission should have a vote in the matter and he would discuss it with Mayor Tony Martinez, who was absent from the meeting.



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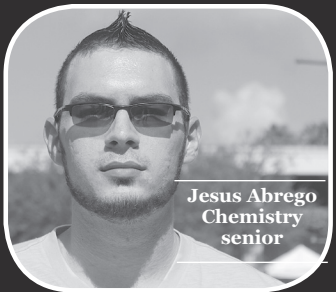


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Michael Cateora  
Criminal Justice  
junior

"I'm happy that we got a new mascot. It shows that the UTB campus is off to a new start. Not just the campus itself, but also the students. This is a new beginning and the ocelot shows that we're fierce and ready to attack in sports and our academics to be successful in life."



Jesus Abrego  
Chemistry  
senior

"I personally voted for it, because it is indigenous to South Texas, and it is an endangered species. I think it's pretty cool, better than the scorpion. It might sound a little bit more intimidating to be considered a cat, as opposed to a scorpion. But I believe that there are a lot of people who really don't like it, but I guarantee you if maybe we had a football team or a baseball team, it would be more accepted throughout the university."



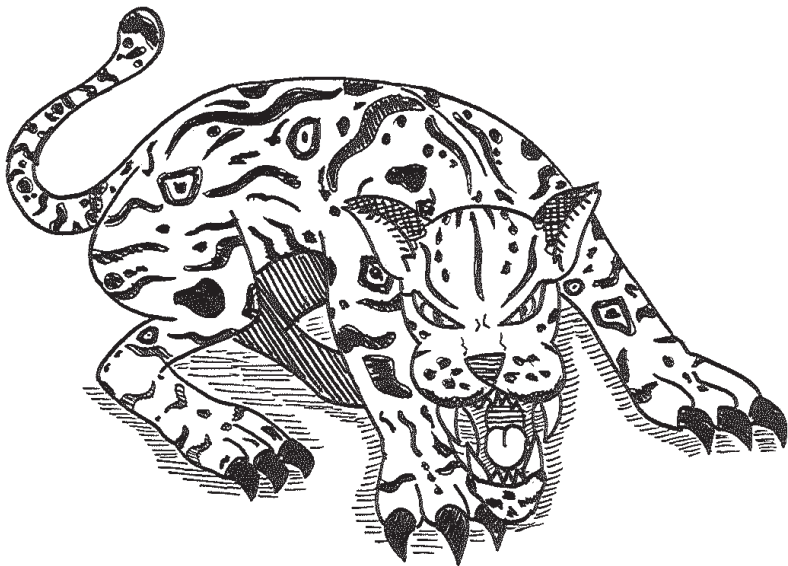
Natalie Cantu  
Nursing  
sophomore

"I think the ocelot was a good choice. I originally voted for the chupacabra. I was hoping that [the chupacabra] was going to make it, but it didn't."

--Compiled by Alex Rodriguez

--Photos by Bryan Romero

# Meanwhile at the at the Student Union...



...Dr. "G" couldn't wait to pull out  
the UTB *Magic Ruler Single Card UR!*

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## Demystifying the ocelot

Today, UTB announced the new mascot for the university. Even though the ocelot was not my first or second choice, I still support our choice for the mascot.

As we know, the ocelot is an endangered species. Since

we are a higher education institute and ocelot enclosure on campus. I say this so we as a community can promote our environment, ecosystem and conservation. Or if that is not feasible I mean to possibly have an due to the cost of

"I propose we  
do something to  
recognize the new  
mascot."

upkeep, we can sponsor an exhibit (enclosure) at the Gladys Porter Zoo.

If it is at the zoo, we could see this mysterious animal up-close and at the same time try to ensure the survival of the species.

David Belleperche  
Senior criminal justice major

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ~

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# Community helps TSC with strategic plan Board approves 'Vision 2017'

By Gabriela Cavazos

THE COLLEGIAN

With more than a year to attain independent accreditation, Texas Southmost College President Lily Tercero has presented the board of trustees with a strategic plan formulated with input from the community. A communitywide effort has been full swing since December 2011 in visualizing, launching and establishing a TSC without UTB. Tercero told the board at its Aug. 28 meeting that the draft strategic plan, titled "Vision 2017," was prepared with the help of hundreds of people across both Cameron and Willacy counties.

"We appointed a strategic planning committee and they met at two full-day events," Tercero said. "Then we got a staff together to discuss these issues as well and here we are today for you."

She said some of the topics discussed were the mission of the community college, characteristics associated with the college, the role of the committee, demographics, technology, economy, education, politics and the growth trends for work-force education, work-force training and businesses. The facts and figures were reviewed and the committee came up with a vision and mission statement. A week later, the committee "formalized some value statements and institutional



GABRIELA CAVAZOS / COLLEGIAN

Texas Southmost College President Lily Tercero details the strategic plan to move the college forward as an independent community college during the Aug. 28 meeting of the board of trustees.

goals," Tercero said.

With a slide show of photos and graphs, Tercero demonstrated the committee's work. Among the slides, were questions posed to the Brownsville Independent School District student body: "What most attracted you or kept you here? What do you think will set TSC apart from everybody else? Their answers varied: "open admissions, access to opportunities, location, we're fulfilling the educational needs of the community, reflecting heritage, cultural heritage and service

to non-traditional students."

Other questions included: "What actions impacted you negatively, or that you would like for us to address?"

"They talked costs compared to other community colleges," Tercero said. "We need to expand the workforce in the v-tech training. There's a lack of focus on the community college mission. There's a need to focus on GED, adult education and developmental education. We need to find additional funding for sustainability."

The president said they started the strategic plan

process with community input.

"We really wanted to find out from the community what was important to them in regard to *their* community college," Tercero said. "We then took the data that they presented to us in those summits and focus group sessions and used that."

She said strategic planning serves three purposes: It allows the institution to clearly define its purpose, establish realistic goals and objectives, and to measure its efforts and progress.

"It really is an integral part of the evaluation process that is conducted by the Texas Higher

Education Coordinating Board and by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges," Tercero said.

She emphasized the TSC goal for students: "We're really putting a tremendously high level of achievement on ourselves, and it's important because this is what we want for our students. We want the best for our students."

The board approved the plan in a unanimous vote.

Tercero told the board that in the next couple of months she would present an institutional effectiveness process.

"This is very, very important and an integral part in the accreditation piece," she said. "We have to be able, as an institution, to document that we are on an annual basis continuously trying to improve everything that we do."

The final step of the strategic plan is the development of strategies and action plans, which will take place after the college's faculty and staff are hired next year.

[Staff and faculty] have to be involved in helping us do that, and that's when you'll see the performance measures. That's when you'll see we hope to increase [the] graduation rate by 30 [percent]. We'll do that then, but I want the college family to be involved in that. It doesn't seem fair for us to do it top down. I want to it to be bottom up."

## Chess Olympiad 5 UTB/TSC Chess Team members at tournament in Istanbul, Turkey

By Michelangelo Sosa

THE COLLEGIAN

Five members of the UTB/TSC Chess Team participated in the 2012 World Chess Olympiad in Istanbul, Turkey.

Master players were selected by their respective country to represent them in the prestigious tournament also known as the International Istanbul Chess Festival.

"The Olympiad is pretty much the Olympics for chess," said Douglas Stoves, the university's director of Residential Life and Housing. "Each country sends their top five men and women to compete against other countries and federations from all over the world to compete against each other."

UTB/TSC students participating in the Olympiad are Grand Masters Axel Bachmann, who played first board and represented Paraguay, and Mauricio Flores of Chile; Woman's Grand Master Katerina Nemcova, played the second board and represented the Czech Republic; and, Woman's International Masters Aura Salazar, first board for the



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women's team for Colombia, and Luciana Morales, who coached the team from Peru.

"The Olympiad is the most important chess tournament by country in the world; it's held every two years," said Russell Harwood, director of UTB/TSC's chess program. "It's a passion for the game that keeps them going."

At the Olympiad, there is

a wide range of competitors, from students to professionals, fighting for their team's highest possible rank.

Bachmann said the competition requires a lot of attention and heart.

"I plan ahead of time so that I can fix the weaknesses of my game and focus on possible opponents," he told *The Collegian* via Facebook

interview last Aug. 30, the first of the nine-day competition.

It's is the second time the competition is hosted in Turkey.

"It's a real honor that they were selected to represent their country," Harwood said. "There are very few people who are selected to go and represent their respective country."

The trip was financed by the country's chess federation or by the players. Salazar's federation in Colombia is paying for her trip.

The tournament consists of a series of nine rounds, with one round played per day before closing ceremonies took place on Sunday. Results were not available at presstime.

The winning team in the open section of the Olympiad receives the International Hamilton-Russell Cup. The winning team in the women's section receives the International Vera Menchik Cup. The teams with the best composite scores in the open and women's sections receive the Nona Gaprindashvili International Trophy, according to FIDE.com.

"It is a great event where you can find different cultures from all over the world, it is amazing!" Bachmann said. "I expect to do well, which will help the team achieve a high ranking at the end of the game."

The World Chess Olympiad is organized by FIDE, or Fédération Internationale des Échecs.



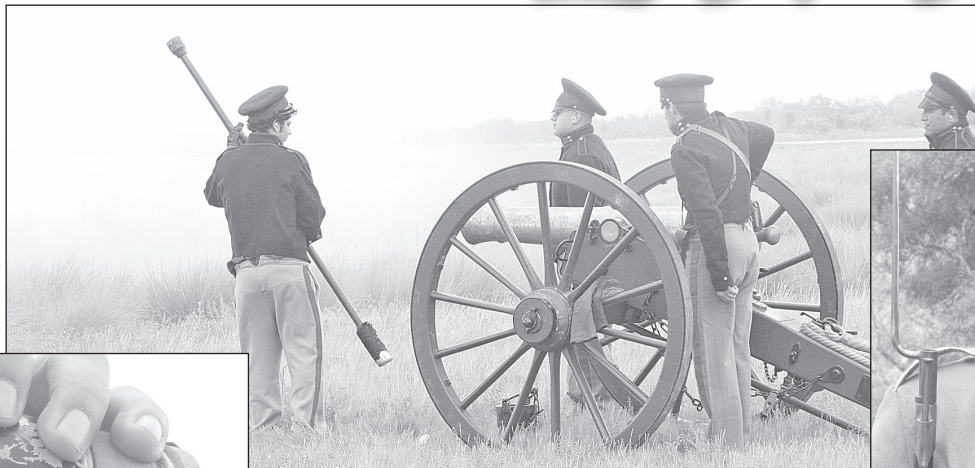
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Eddie Guerra portrays a Mexican soldier in the re-enactment of the Battle of Palo Alto.



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Xavier Balderas acts as a private in the U.S. Infantry during the re-enactment.

National Park Service Park Ranger David Ibarra holds a k-shot drilled cannonball.

National Park Service Park Ranger David Ibarra (from left) volunteers Bruce Johnstone and Billy Villarreal and Park Ranger Jorge Hernandez take part in the re-enactment of the Battle of Palo Alto, the first in the Mexican-American War. The battle was fought on May 8, 1846. The re-enactment took place Sept. 1 at the Palo Alto Battlefield National Historical Park near Brownsville.

## Campus hot spots

By Eréndira Santillana  
THE COLLEGIAN

When you've had it with trying to figure out a mathematical equation, writing an essay or preparing something to say in speech class, check out these campus hangouts for a bit of relaxation.

Considering that many freshmen or transfer students might be unaware of these hot spots, *The Collegian* introduces this section to make them known.

**Barnes & Noble Bookstore Café:** This coffee place is located in the Barnes

## Great places to hang out

& Noble Bookstore, across the street from the Student Union. It is open from 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and offers a variety of coffee, tea and desserts and cozy seating areas. To contact them, call 882-2233.

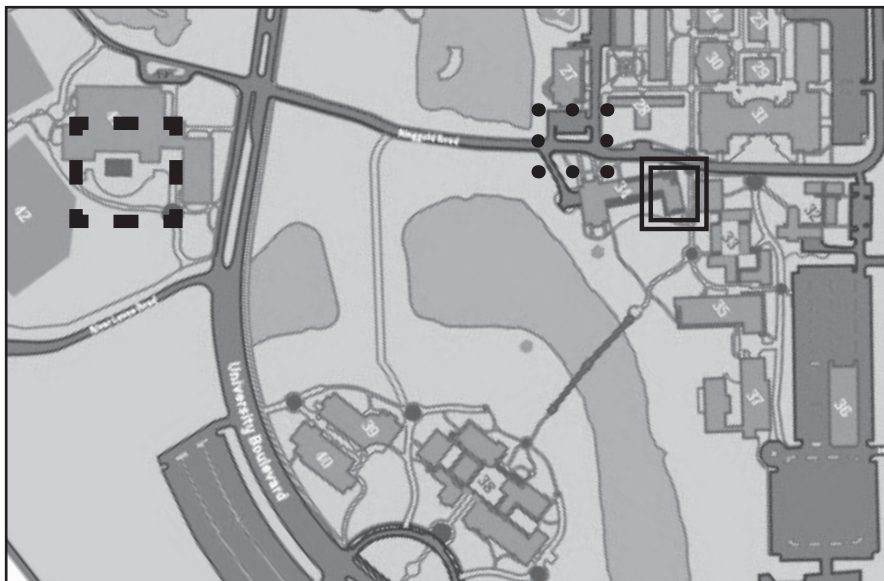
**Student Union game room:** Located in Student Union 1.20, this place offers pool tables and video games to relax from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. A student ID is required to play. For more information, call Student Union Building Services Supervisor Eric Morales at 882-8438.

## Campus Recreation

**pool:** The Campus Recreation pool, located at 2000 University Blvd., offers fitness activities such as Aquafit (water aerobics) from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday, Inswamity X from 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday and a special event from 2 to 3 p.m. every Friday. A student ID is required to check out swimming equipment. For more information, call Aquatics/Events Coordinator Jamie Barnhill at 882-5977.



Freshman engineering physics-computer major Mauricio Vazquez prepares for a shot Aug. 30 during a game of pool in the Student Union's game room. Also shown are freshman engineering physics-mechanical major Luis Torres (left) and freshman engineering physics-electrical major Marco Gutierrez.



Junior kinesiology major David Gonzalez (from left), senior Spanish major Susana Gonzalez, freshman nursing major Melanie García and freshman engineering physics-computer major Damián Ruiz take a break from classes last Wednesday in the Barnes & Noble Bookstore café.



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UTB/TSC students jump into the REK CENTER pool during last spring semester's Penguin Plunge. The REK Center offers water aerobics classes on Mondays, Inswamity on Wednesdays and special events on Fridays, such as inner tube water polo.



## AGES

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income of the United States.

During his term as commissioner of Parks, Sports and Recreation for the City of Bogotá, Colombia, Peñalosa successfully led the design and development of more than 200 parks of which Simón Bolívar is the best known. The park hosts the Summer Festival, with more than 100 events in 10 days and more than 3 million people attending, making it the main recreational and cultural event in the country.

Peñalosa's team also initiated the "new Ciclovía"—car-free Sundays—that now is an internationally recognized program serving more than 1 million people to walk, run, skate and bike along 121 kilometers of Bogotá's city roads every week, according to the 8-80 Cities web page.

Asked how college students can contribute to the execution of this program in Brownsville, Peñalosa replied: "Young people can participate a lot. What we need is for citizens not to remain spectators; [citizens] must participate and youth have to be active. Young people will be taken into account much more, only if they participate in public and political meetings."

He said he once went to a university where the parking lot was three times bigger than the campus.

"I asked, 'Is this a college with a parking lot or a parking lot with a college?'" Peñalosa told *The Collegian*.

He also encouraged Brownsville city officials and residents who attended the presentation to keep the university's location in the downtown area to contribute to the area's revitalization and the university's prestige.

Peñalosa also presented his lecture at UTB/TSC on Aug. 30.

Asked how the Vibrant Community principles apply to UTB/TSC, Murad Abusalim, an assistant professor in the

Government-Architecture Program, replied: "We have been since the establishment of the program—four years ago—very effectively involved in initiatives, projects and discussions related to the development of the city of Brownsville, in general, and the revitalization of downtown Brownsville."

He said the presentation gives UTB/TSC students the opportunity to be part of discussions and to participate in design ideas and come up with design concepts for the city, including downtown.

Abusalim said the lecture, which is part of an ongoing lectures series organized by the city, could help in the long term by elevating living standards.

He said that in Fall 2011, the university's architecture program produced a map identifying potential and existing hike and bike trails citywide and produced ideas on how and where these trails could be placed and ways to connect them with UTB/TSC and the downtown area.

Carlo Hernandez, former Brownsville Community Improvement Corp. treasurer and vice chair, was among those who attended the lecture.

"Instead of going to seek therapy at a hospital, [residents] can walk in beautiful areas, adding color to their lives," Hernandez said.

Regarding housing, Peñalosa encourages college students to pressure the university to offer less expensive housing, and instead of adding more parking space, utilize those monetary resources to "subsidize old buildings and make them habitable."

"The day when the mayor receives 500 letters on the subject of housing, that day it will be the No. 1 issue in Brownsville," he said. "The students have to wake up. They have a wonderful opportunity to influence actively, and need to strive for better public transportation, bike-sharing systems, better bicycle parking and environmental buildings."

## MEDICAL

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years. The UT System is looking for opportunities to allow students to graduate in seven years or even six, Shine said.

The traditional route for a medical profession is four years as an undergraduate, then another four years in medical school.

For students wishing to enter, the school would anticipate accepting applications in Fall 2013, assuming that the first class enters in 2014, Shine said.

"The first students may do a significant amount of their first two years in San Antonio, but they would spend their third and fourth years entirely in South Texas," Shine said.

The students would take classes at UT Health Science Center-San Antonio.

Recently, the UT System invested about \$80 million in South Texas medical efforts.

Faculty and staff for the medical school will come from existing UT System Health

schools and new positions are being recruited and advertised, Shine said.

There are 150 teaching positions in medical schools in South Texas, but that will increase to 200 to 250, with about 60 full-time faculty focusing in science and research, he said.

Funding for this medical school will come from state and regional funding.

"The [UT System] has committed \$30 million to the Lower Rio Grande Valley program," Shine said. "In that [money] is \$9 million for recruiting faculty, \$4 million for research in diabetes and obesity, and some of the people that are being recruited for those positions will be people who will also teach in the medical school."

Shine said that some hospitals in the regions have also financially supported residency programs and faculty positions.

"Eventually, once you have students, there are formula funding from the state that contributes to the support of the school," Shine said.

Development Specialist Jorge Muñoz said. "Sometimes some of our students go out and experiment, but there is a saying: 'curiosity killed the cat.' Instead of experimenting, you can actually learn ... in a professional setting and have your questions answered."

Goodie bags containing condoms, lubricants, information pamphlets and a bag of popcorn were given to attendees and five iPod Shuffles were awarded in drawings after the event.

Services at the Student Health clinic include first aid, STD testing, contraception, physical exams, access to nutritionists, prescriptions, immunizations and counseling. Free HIV tests are conducted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday. For more information, call 882-3986.

# Expanding its offerings

## Arts Center schedules more exhibits

By Gabriela Cavazos

THE COLLEGIAN

"STRATOS/Layers of Consciousness," an exhibit by Mexican artist Sergio Martínez, has been on display in the lobby of the Arts Center since June 25 and will remain on display until Saturday.

Arts Center Director Dan Barnard said more exhibits are on the way for the facility.

"We had a one-day exhibit last year of

Consulate," Barnard said. "Another Cristina Kahlo exhibit of photographs that she took at the Gladys Porter Zoo will be here in November."

Asked why the Arts Center is expanding its offerings to include artwork, Barnard replied: "We have been so caught up in the theater and programming for that that for the first couple of years I wasn't able to think about this. This is something I felt was missing that we really wanted



COURTESY PHOTO

"Los iluminados," by Mexican artist Sergio Hernández, is among the works to go on display Sept. 20 in the Arts Center lobby.

Cristina Kahlo's photography that was only here for one show," Barnard said. "It was up on easels, so this is the first *real* exhibit. Now I've seen [the Arts Center] with art. I don't ever want to see it naked. I have it scheduled for the rest of the year."

Later this month, the work of Oaxacan artist Sergio Hernández will go on display.

"This is an exhibit that we are getting courtesy of the [Mexican]

to start adding. Now it's a regular thing."

The Arts Center is open from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The center will kick off the 28th season of UTB/TSC's Patron of the Arts program with the Wyeth String Quartet, the principal string performers of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, at 8 p.m. Sept. 25. For ticket information, call the Arts Center office at 882-8587.



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**Application Deadline: 5 p.m. September 18, 2012 at the Dean of Students Office.**

## SAFE

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young father of two died within four days of finding out he had HIV, Lopez said.

A person with HIV can live many years without ever developing AIDS with the right treatment and medication, he said.

Lopez also said it is important for couples to communicate in order to prevent sexually transmitted diseases and unwanted pregnancy. Some of the contraception methods he mentioned are abstinence, the use condoms and combining birth control methods for greater protection.

"In the Latino culture, we sometimes shy away from the sex topic and in many of our families it's a taboo subject," Student



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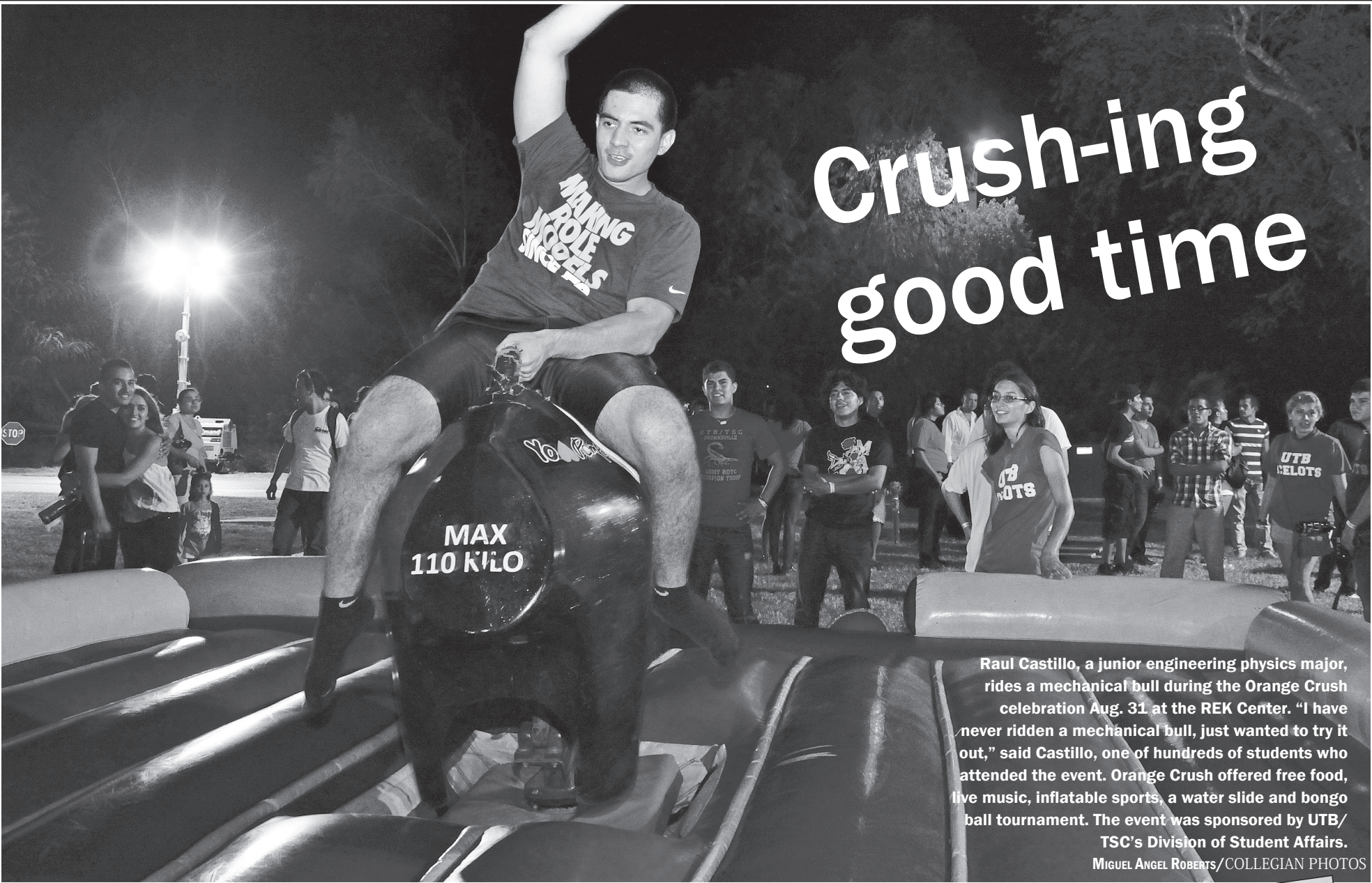


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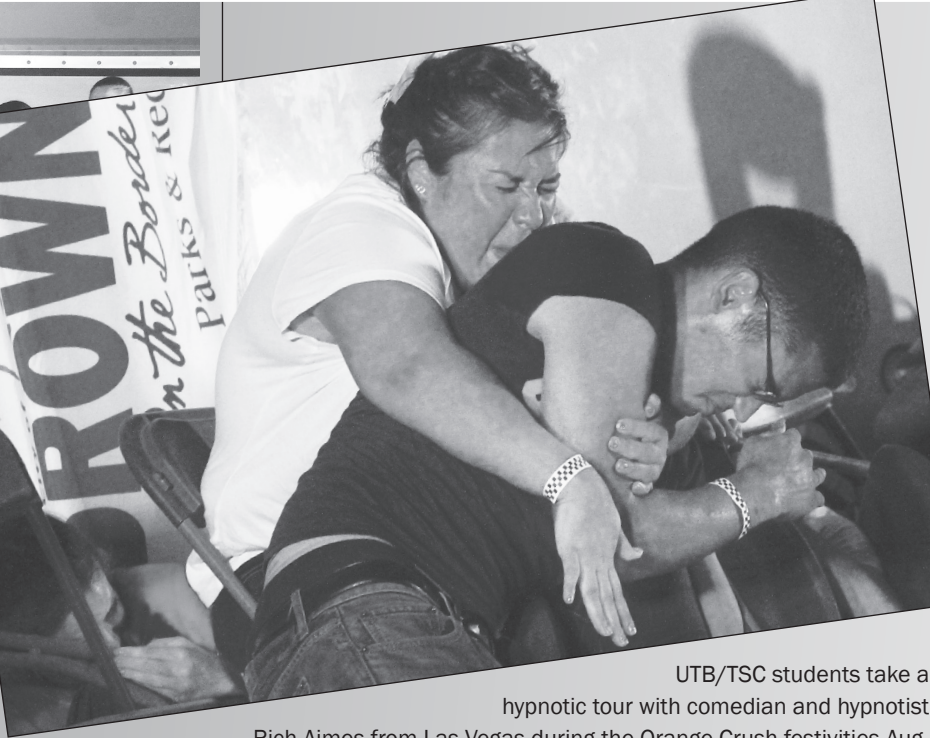
# Crush-ing good time

Raul Castillo, a junior engineering physics major, rides a mechanical bull during the Orange Crush celebration Aug. 31 at the REK Center. "I have never ridden a mechanical bull, just wanted to try it out," said Castillo, one of hundreds of students who attended the event. Orange Crush offered free food, live music, inflatable sports, a water slide and bongo ball tournament. The event was sponsored by UTB/TSC's Division of Student Affairs.

MIGUEL ANGEL ROBERTS/COLLEGIAN PHOTOS



Students rock out to music by the Doyle Brothers of New York.



UTB/TSC students take a hypnotic tour with comedian and hypnotist Rich Aimes from Las Vegas during the Orange Crush festivities Aug. 31 at the REK Center.

# Is it a slam dunk?

MICHELLE ESPINOZA/COLLEGIAN PHOTOS



UTB/TSC students wait in line for ice cream during the Freshman Mixer on the Arts Center lawn. The event featured a variety of activities, including chess games, a bicycle race and a puzzle contest.



UTB/TSC students participate in the dunking booth during the Freshman Mixer held Aug. 30 on the Arts Center lawn. The event followed Freshman Convocation.



# Poppin', Poppin'



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Professional Balloon Décor's lead designer Patricia Crosland (left) creates a Hello Kitty balloon for junior medical laboratory technology major Maria Fernandez during Join-a-Club Day, held last Wednesday on the Student Union lawn.

## Battling to save the world



MIGUEL ANGEL ROBERTS/COLLEGIAN

UTB/TSC students take a break from classes to compete in the HALO Reach Tournament last Tuesday in the Student Union game room, one of the Welcome Week activities. Shown (seated) are finance major Richard Losoya, computer science major Christian Calderon, criminal justice major Juan Partida and criminal justice major Jessie Ramos, all freshmen. Standing: senior computer information systems major Alex Noyola, freshman art major Armando De La Fuente and sophomore physics major Francisco Galvan.

## Movie Review: 'The Possession'

This generation's 'Exorcist'

By Alex Rodriguez

THE COLLEGIAN

"The Exorcist" scared a whole generation with the original story of the possessed child. "The Possession," directed by Ole Bornedal, delivers the same concept to a new audience and is based on true events. The movie revolves

around a carved wooden box that contains a demon. At the beginning of "The Possession," a woman is thrown around her house after attempting to destroy the box. Although she is not killed, she ends up bedridden.

Clyde (Jeffery Dean Morgan), a recently divorced father, is picking up his daughters

from his ex-wife, Stephanie's (Kyra Sedgwick) house. After picking up them up he stops by a garage sale. Oddly enough, Em (Natasha Calis), Clyde's youngest daughter, is strongly attracted to the box and they take it home. Em tries to open the box, but can't, even with the help of her dad. The box has no obvious seams and appears as if it cannot be opened. Later that night, she accidentally opens the box and finds several strange trinkets in it.

This is when all the odd occurrences begin to happen, such as Em lashing out at her father for no obvious reason.

After the many disturbing events surrounding the mysterious wooden box, Clyde decides to take it to a professor for an explanation. He is told the box came from Europe and was used to keep a demon inside. Terrorized by his recent discovery, Clyde decides to seek help from Tzadok (Matisyahu), who eventually exorcises the demon from Em.

This is one of the creepiest movies since the original "Exorcist." Many of the beautifully shot scenes sent chills down my spine. The music really makes this movie; it is

very dark and tied seamlessly with the film. "The Possession" doesn't have the cheap thrills of things jumping out at you, but scares you in a way that will make you uncomfortable throughout the whole movie and possibly the ride home.

"The Possession" is a well-written story that is solid from start to finish, keeping you on the edge of your seat waiting to see what happens next.

I recommend this movie to anyone who wants to be scared in a way that will make you think twice before buying antiques. I give this movie four out of five stars.



MICHELLE ESPINOZA/COLLEGIAN PHOTOS

The goal of the game is to throw two balls across the length of the table and into the cups of the opposing team. At the end of a turn, each cup containing a ball is drunk by the opposing team. The students drank root beer in this activity.



## Root Beer Pong!

Yanelly Jimenez, a junior education major, participates in the root beer pong tournament last Thursday in the Student Union game room. The event was part of UTB/TSC's Welcome Weeks events. Jimenez won the tournament after defeating Alexis Aguayo, a nursing sophomore.



BRYAN ROMERO/COLLEGIAN

Damian Ruiz, a member of Grupo Folklórico Tizatán performs a Mayan dance during last Tuesday's Tardeada in the Education and Business Complex courtyard. The event was part of Welcome Week activities.



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# SGA approves \$24,000 budget

## Senate also sets house rules and freshman senator election dates

**By Magaly Rosales**

THE COLLEGIAN

In its first meeting of the semester, the Student Government Association approved a \$24,000 budget, set dates for the freshman senator election and adopted house rules.

The senate's budget for the 2012-13 year sets aside \$10,800 for wages. SGA President Arturo Guerra and Vice President of Administration Karla Lozoya will each be paid \$5,400 for the year. The maintenance and operations line item totals \$8,700; travel expenses, \$3,000; and reserves, \$1,500.

Five freshman senators will be elected later this month. The deadline to declare candidacy is 5 p.m. Sept. 18, campaigning will start Sept. 21 and elections will take place from 8 a.m. Sept. 24 to 4 p.m. Sept. 25 via Blackboard.

The SGA House Rules are the guidelines to be followed by members during meetings. They include:

- No food may be eaten during meetings;
- all electronic devices



**BRYAN ROMERO/COLLEGIAN**

Marisol Cervantes, a senior psychology major, has been appointed Senator at Large for the Student Government Association. The senate approved Cervantes' appointment during last Tuesday's SGA meeting.

must be turned off or in silent mode during meetings;

--voting members may not wear caps or shorts. They may wear "presentable" jeans as long as a formal top is worn;

## FLU

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proximity; we certainly have a heightened risk just because of the population size.

"Within a particular room, just like you would at any other home, if somebody gets the flu you might have a greater chance of getting the flu just because you're in proximity of each other."

Stoves said he recommends Casa Bella residents take the same precautions as anywhere

else to avoid the flu. He said roommates should wipe down shared appliances and wash hands after using them.

"Washing their hands frequently and certainly after using the restroom, making sure that you're not doing things like, after touching a doorknob and not touching your eye, not touching your mouth," he said.

Sophomore communication major Amy Rodriguez is among the students who are taking precautions against the flu.

--all voting members appointed to a committee must submit a written report to the vice president of historical archives;

--and students participating in the "Let Your Voice Be Heard" section of the meeting must submit their name and ID number before the senate president recognizes them.

In other business, the SGA approved the appointment of senior psychology major Marisol Cervantes as senator for the College of Liberal Arts.

"Last semester I was vice president of policy and procedure," Cervantes told *The Collegian* in an interview after the meeting. "I ran for a position but I did not win, so I [sought an] appointment this semester."

Students who run for a position during spring semester elections but do not get elected may seek to be appointed to a position during the fall semester. The president must nominate the student and the appointment must be approved by the senate.

The next SGA meeting will take place at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday in the Student Union's Salón Gardenia.

"I've been washing my hands, having my hand sanitizer in my purse, covering my nose when I sneeze and covering my mouth when I cough," Rodriguez said. "I'm worried that [the flu] might affect me somehow with schoolwork, it won't help me concentrate, I don't like being sick."

Rodriguez plans on getting the vaccine at Student Health Services for the first time.

"Not only because it's free but because it will prevent me from getting the flu," she said.

## OCELOT

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Andrio said he voted for the *vaquero* "because it fits more appropriately for the region we're in."

Sophomore psychology

major Denise de la Garza said she voted for the bull sharks.

"I wanted them to win, but I accept the ocelots being the UTB mascot," she said. "The ocelots are from South Texas, so I would understand why we would choose that."

Besides the vaquero and the bull sharks, other finalists were the jaguarundi and the parrot. Students chose the mascot in an election last spring, and the ocelot was revealed as the winner in a ceremony on Aug. 31.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 'TIME FLIES' WORKSHOP

The **Student Success Center** will conduct a workshop on **managing time** from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday in Tandy Hall 113. For more information, call 882-8292.

### OPEN HOUSE

The **Catholic Campus Ministry** will host an **open house** from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday at 1910 University Blvd. A light lunch will be offered from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cake and punch will be served from 2 to 5 p.m. For more information, call 541-9697.

### DEATH BY POWERPOINT

The **Student Success Center** will conduct a **Microsoft**

**PowerPoint workshop** from 2 to 3 p.m. Friday in Tandy Hall 114. For more information, call 882-8292.

### FIESTA MEXICANA

The **Office of Student Life**, the **College of Liberal Arts** and the **College of Education** will host **Fiesta Mexicana** from 7 to 10 p.m. Friday in the Arts Center. **Mariachi Escorpión** and **Grupo Folklórico Tizatlán** will perform. UTB/TSC students can buy tickets in advance for \$3 and \$5 at the door. General admission is \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door. For more information, call the Office of Student Life at 882-5138.

## POLICE REPORTS

*The following are among the incidents reported to Campus Police between Aug. 20 and 21.*

### Monday, Aug. 20

**4:55 p.m.:** Patrons and staff of the Arnulfo L. Oliveira Memorial Library evacuated the building after a fire alarm went off. The alarm panel read "waterflow riser switch 2-flow switch." No smoke or fire was detected. The alarm was then reset and everyone was allowed to return inside.

### Tuesday, Aug. 21

**2 p.m.:** A staff member

## ENROLLMENT

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Janna Arney, associate provost for faculty and Academic Affairs, told *The Collegian* via e-mail last Thursday that 123,972 credit hours are being taken this semester.

Pell grants are a factor in the declining enrollment.

"The federal government has put new rules in about limits on the number of credit hours you can take and some students who, in the past, may have ended up taking 140 hours and still got Pell money, they can no longer do that," Artibise said. "So, they run out of loan money from the federal government, and that has an impact on whether they come back to school or not. It's very significant. Similarly, in the summer the same thing happened."

As for dual enrollment, there probably will be 1,800 students registered in the program this fall, compared with 1,101 in Fall 2011.

"We have seen a gradual increase because last year we had a complete turnover on processes, procedures and eligibility criteria," said Dual Enrollment Director José Méndez. "So what's happening is that there has been a cultural change at the high schools as well and that has helped us tremendously because now there is a stronger quality student that is coming into the program."

The most popular degree programs at UTB/TSC, Arney said, are criminal justice, psychology, biology and nursing.

Final enrollment figures will be available by Sept. 18, officials said.

### Student Housing

A total of 462 students are living at Casa Bella this semester, said Residential Life Director Douglas Stoves.

The student housing complex has three graduate resident assistants who are responsible for two buildings each, as well as 12 regular resident assistants. They enforce policies, create programs, report maintenance issues that need to be addressed and check all the buildings at least twice each night.

"We are representing 27 different countries and seven states," Stoves said of the facility's residents. "We have people from all over the world living in Casa Bella."

reported his university-owned Apple PowerBook laptop computer as missing. He stated that, according to the inventory, the laptop that was assigned to him should have been stored in the Arnulfo L. Oliveira Library but it was not there and he did not recall ever seeing or using it. The laptop was purchased on Aug. 31, 1999, for \$3,750.

--Compiled by Samantha Ruiz



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## UTB/TSC y el Consulado de México celebran la independencia mexicana

Por Viridiana Zúñiga

EDITORA DE ESPAÑOL

“¡Mexicanos, viva México!, ¡Viva la Virgen de Guadalupe!, ¡Viva Fernando VII! y ¡Muera el mal gobierno!”, gritó Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla anunciando el inicio de la lucha por la independencia de México en la madrugada del 16 de septiembre de 1810.

Este suceso, que marcó el

Grupo Folklórico Tizatlán. El precio de la entrada para estudiantes de UTB y TSC es de \$3 y \$5 en taquilla; para el público en general el costo es de \$7 y \$10 en taquilla.

El Consulado de México en Brownsville, por su parte, celebrará el CCII aniversario del inicio de la independencia con el tradicional Grito el sábado a las 7 p.m. en el Arts Center.



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El cónsul de México en Brownsville, Rodolfo Quilantán-Arenas, ondea la bandera nacional después de pronunciar el Grito de Independencia en el ITEC Center.

momento en que el pueblo se levantó a pelear en pos de su libertad contra los españoles, es recordado año con año por los mexicanos y conmemorado con orgullo, fiestas y solemnidad en cada rincón del país el 15 de septiembre.

Este año, la oficina de Student Life, en coordinación con Department of Fine Arts y College of Education, se une a esta celebración y promete al público ofrecer el sonido, cultura y sabor de México en el evento “Fiesta Mexicana” el viernes a las 7 p.m. en el Arts Center.

“Será un evento de baile y música”, dijo Sergio Martínez, director de Student Life. “Lo haremos el viernes y los boletos ya están disponibles; esperamos que el público la pase bien con nosotros”.

Habrà presentaciones del Mariachi Escorpión y del

Además, el Consulado conmemorará las fiestas patrias con diversos eventos abiertos al público:

--presentación de la película *El criollo*, (1945), martes a las 6:30 p.m. en la Casa Alonso;

--torneo de futbol Copa Independencia 2012, viernes a las 6 p.m. en Brownsville Sports Park;

--ceremonia del Grito de Independencia, viernes a las 6 p.m. en el auditorio municipal de Harlingen;

--torneo de futbol Copa Independencia 2012, sábado a las 8 p.m. en Brownsville Sports Park;

--presentación de la película *Viento de libertad*, (1976), el 18 de septiembre a las 6:30 p.m. en la Casa Alonso;

--exposición *Funámbulo de la noche* de Sergio Hernández, el 20 de septiembre en el Arts Center;

--exposición *Stratos* de Sergio Martínez, el 21 de septiembre a las 10:30 a.m. en el Consulado de México;

--presentación de la película *La guerra de los pasteles*, (1977), el 25 de septiembre a las 6:30p.m. en la Casa Alonso;

--plática sobre negocios “Business y Botana” 26 de septiembre de 2:30-7:30 p.m. en el Brownsville Events Center.

Desde que inicia septiembre, las calles de México se cubren de verde, blanco y rojo. La fecha se festeja con desfiles cívicos y militares, carros alegóricos, ferias, bailables, obras teatrales, comida y vestimentas típicas, cánticos y, sobre todo, la algarabía del pueblo.

El 15 de septiembre, el Presidente de la República sale al palco del Palacio Nacional de la Ciudad de México, tañe cuatro veces la Campana de Dolores y pronuncia el tradicional “Grito de Independencia”:

“Mexicanos: ¡Vivan los héroes que nos dieron patria!, ¡Viva Hidalgo!, ¡Viva Morelos!, ¡Viva Josefa Ortiz de Domínguez!, ¡Viva Allende!, ¡Vivan Aldama y Matamoros!, ¡Viva la Independencia

exclamaron incansablemente los mexicanos aquel septiembre de 1810 fue “¡Mueran los gachupines!”, según la página web de la Secretaría de Defensa Nacional.

“Hay dos cosas principales que nos hace sacar lo mexicano y decirle a México cuánto lo queremos”, dijo Silvia Pineda García, estudiante de tercer grado de biología. “La primera es el día del Grito y la segunda es cuando gana la selección [mexicana de futbol]; aunque suena increíble, son dos momentos en los que todos celebramos, cantamos y gritamos juntos ‘¡Viva México!’”

De acuerdo a Miguel Ángel Fernández Delgado, investigador del Instituto Nacional de Estudios Históricos de las Revoluciones de México, en su artículo *El Grito de Dolores, el mito y la magia de un acto de fundación*, la importancia de esta fecha radica en que “combina diversos elementos históricos...asimila el proceso por el que la nación llegó a independizarse y promete defenderla en el porvenir, a la vez que conmemora el llamado al festejo en todas las formas



Alumnos de UTB/TSC presentan un bailable folclórico durante la celebración del Grito de Independencia en el Consulado de México en Borwnsville.

nacional!”

Y termina el “Grito” exclamando: “¡Viva México!, ¡Viva México!, ¡Viva México!”, para luego volver a tocar la Campana, ondear el Lábaro Patrio y cantar el Himno Nacional.

Actualmente, los asistentes responden al Grito con “¡Viva!”, sin embargo, lo que

imaginables”.

Para más información sobre el evento “Fiesta Mexicana”, llame al 882-8587 o visite [www.utb.edu/edcs/tac/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.utb.edu/edcs/tac/Pages/default.aspx).

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# Estudiante de hoy



ERÉNDIRA SANTILLANA/COLLEGIAN

**Nombre:** Sergio González

**Edad:** 19 años

**Especialidad:** Criminología

**Clasificación:** Estudiante de segundo año

**Fecha de graduación:** Primavera 2015

**Promedio:** 3.78

**Ciudad natal:** Ciudad Valles, San Luis Potosí, México

**Pasatiempos:** “Me gusta ir al REK, pasar tiempo con los amigos y jugar futbol”.

**¿Cuáles son tus metas?** “Quiero seguir pasando mis clases con A y mantener mi promedio lo más alto que se pueda. también espero ser un agente de la patrulla fronteriza”.

**¿Por qué escogiste la especialidad que actualmente estudias?** “Con el pasar de los años he notado que las ciudades están pasando por momentos difíciles y el aumento de delincuencia en la frontera me ha hecho tomar la iniciativa de tomar esta carrera”.

**¿Quién es tu inspiración o modelo a seguir?** “Mi modelo a seguir es mi madre, porque siempre se preocupa por uno [la familia y mi persona] y siempre espera mucho de mí”.

**¿Cuál sería tu trabajo ideal?** “Me gustaría trabajar con personas que sean amigables y también de confianza”.

**¿Qué técnicas usas para estudiar?** “Tomo muchas notas cuando el profesor está hablando, subrayo lo más importante, estudio mucho y me preparo una hora antes de que empiece el examen para estudiar lo más importante”.

**¿Cuál es tu consejo para los alumnos de nuevo ingreso?** “Les aconsejo que estudien mucho, que pasen más tiempo en la biblioteca que en el REK, que siempre pongan atención en la clase y dejen a un lado aparatos electrónicos y otras distracciones para no confundirse mientras el profesor realiza la lección”.

**Anécdota:**

“Antes de que empiece la escuela vayan a revisar dónde están sus clases, porque yo lo hice hasta el mero día y me perdí por completo, llegando tarde el primer día de clase”.

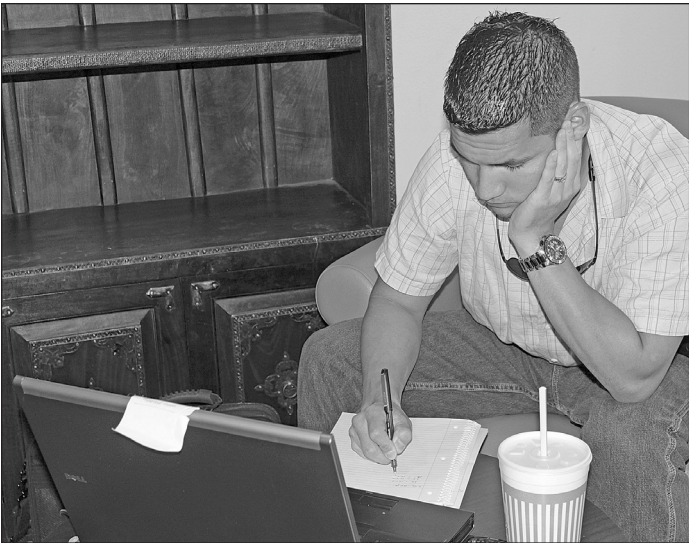
--Recopilado Eréndira Santillana

# Entretenimiento y obligación en un mismo campus



BRYAN ROMERO/ FOTOS COLLEGIAN

Estudiantes de UTB/TSC presentan un bailable maya durante la Tardeada del martes pasado. Esto tuvo lugar en el patio de Education and Business Complex.



Arron Martínez, estudiante de administración de último año, estudia para sus clases en el edificio de University Boulevard Library el jueves.



# Cowboys can savor win over Giants longer

By Stephen Hawkins

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IRVING— The Dallas Cowboys got a little extra time to savor their season-opening victory.

There was plenty to enjoy, even though coach Jason Garrett wasn't sure that the Cowboys had proved "that much" by beating the New York Giants eight months after ending their season with a loss in the same place.

"We went up there and we needed to win a ballgame against a division opponent at their place and it was a great challenge for us," Garrett said last Thursday. "But it is one game out of 16 and I thought our team did a good job of handling the different adversities

throughout the ballgame, and that was a real positive sign for us."

After their midweek opener that created an extended gap between the first and second games, and the redeye flight home, players weren't required to be at Valley Ranch last Thursday.

They gathered as a team last Friday for what Garrett said would be a critical look at the film from the Giants game that he did call a good win. Players had the weekend off before finally getting into a more routine schedule.

"We're going to find a lot of stuff that we like. We're going to find a ton of stuff that we don't like. It's easy to list those things as well," Garrett said, without elaborating on specifics. "So

we've got to make sure we clean that stuff up. We've got to put this game behind us and get back to work for Seattle."

Dallas' next game is Sunday at the Seahawks.

One thing Garrett wouldn't do a day after the victory was get into comparisons about what last year's team failed to do against the Giants, as opposed to what this team did.

"It's a different team. I know what happened last night," he said. "I felt like we handled the situation well. Felt like we were in really good condition first and foremost throughout our team and got stronger through the ballgame in all three phases of our team. And similarly, I thought we handled the situations well."

For example, when the

Cowboys were threatened late — a spot they often have folded in against the Giants — Tony Romo hit Kevin Ogletree for 15 yards on third down to clinch it.

Ogletree finished with eight catches for 114 yards and two touchdowns. He grabbed the role as the No. 3 receiver during training camp. The extra time he got with Romo when Miles Austin and Dez Bryant were limited by injuries in the preseason was very evident.

"I think Kevin and Tony played a lot together in the preseason, throughout training camp," Garrett said. "There's a comfort level that Tony has with Kevin. Kevin's a very good route runner. ... And he's taken advantage of the opportunities he's gotten."

That New Year's Day loss at

MetLife Stadium last season left the Cowboys with an 8-8 record. The Giants clinched the NFC East title, earned the league's last playoff spot and then went on to win their second Super Bowl in five seasons.

Dallas, which was left with a long offseason, has already moved past that damaging loss with a good start to 2012.

"We have a chance to have good things happen every week. But the teams we play are good, too," Garrett said. "I thought each of the guys understood what we tried to get across. And they just went out and did their job, over and over again. When it didn't go well, they came back and tried to do their job on the next play. When we had some success, they did the same thing."

## Nationals sweep Cubs 9-2

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WASHINGTON — Nationals manager Davey Johnson figures the Chicago Cubs were ticked off because Jayson Werth swung at a 3-0 pitch in the fifth inning.

Just to be clear, Johnson wasn't apologizing.



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Washington Nationals' Adam LaRoche hits a two-run homer during the sixth inning of a game against the Chicago Cubs at Nationals Park last Thursday in Washington, D.C.

Adam LaRoche added to his home run tear with a two-run shot and Washington beat the Cubs 9-2 in a fight-filled game last Thursday night to finish a lopsided four-game sweep.

"If they get mad at my guys in the fifth inning swinging 3-0 or running, they better get used to it," Johnson said.

The trouble started with a testy exchange between Cubs bench coach Jamie Quirk and Nationals third base coach Bo Porter in the fifth. Quirk shouted from the dugout toward third base and Porter walked over to the railing, jawing and pointing his finger.

The benches and bullpens emptied, but there was no pushing or shoving. Quirk was ejected before play resumed.

"It was the bench coach's frustration in us handing it to him for a couple days," Johnson said. "If they want to quit competing and forfeit, then fine. But we're going to keep competing."

In the sixth, Chicago reliever Lendy Castillo threw his first pitch of the inning near Bryce Harper's legs and the ball that sailed all the

way to the backstop.

"Castillo's a Rule 5 kid who's thrown a lot of them pitches today," Chicago manager Dale Sveum said. "There was no intention to hit Bryce Harper or anything because of what happened."

Harper made a move toward the mound and was quickly intercepted

to say about the dust-up.

"When I was younger, I did Gold Glove boxing," he said. "My trainer would always tell me before the bell rang, 'Just in case you didn't know, when this bell rings, that guy over there, he's going to hit back.'"

The Nationals (85-52), who have the best record in the majors, remained 7½ games ahead of second-place Atlanta in the NL East.

The Cubs (51-86) have lost 17 of their last 18 road games and six in a row overall. They were outscored 31-9 in the series.

"It's probably one of the biggest butt-whippings I've ever gotten in my career, as a coach or player," Sveum said. "I don't remember getting manhandled that bad in any kind of series I've been a part of."

Kurt Suzuki hit a three-run homer to help back Jordan Zimmermann (10-8), who struck out nine in seven innings. LaRoche hit his seventh home run in his last six games.

Washington tied a franchise record in each of the previous two games with six home runs.

Harper set the tone for the Nationals in the first inning last Thursday, turning an apparent double into a triple and then sliding headfirst to score from third on a groundout.

"He might be the only guy that can do that," Johnson said.

Zimmermann, who allowed two earned runs and five hits, joined Gio Gonzalez and Stephen Strasburg as Washington pitchers with double-digit wins. Edwin Jackson and Ross Detwiler each have nine.

Harper also scored in the fourth inning, when he hit an infield single and came around from second on Ryan Zimmerman's two-out single.

Justin Germano (2-6) allowed seven hits and seven runs, six earned, in four innings — his shortest start of the season.

Anthony Rizzo homered in the first on a 3-0 pitch to give the Cubs their first lead of the series.

Chicago added another run in the second on triples by Starlin Castro and Darwin Barney.

"I respect every one of those guys in the other clubhouse. But again, I think that sometimes they need to learn how to play the game a little better," Miguel Gonzalez said. "There was nothing wrong with how we're playing ball."

## Athlete of the Week



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**Name:** Nicole Heer

**Classification:** Freshman

**Major:** International business

**Position:** Midfielder

**Hometown:** Lucerne, Switzerland

**Favorite Soccer Player:** Cristiano Ronaldo

**What do you like to do for fun?** "Playing soccer and hanging around with friends."

**What is your favorite movie?** "Everything, I don't know, there are a lot."

**What are your goals for the season?** "To become national champions and have a great experience with the team, have a great time and just winning a lot, [as much] as we can."

**Who is your role model?** "Sami Khedira. He is a player from Real Madrid and we play the same position; and the captain of my old team, she is a very awesome person and I want to be like her."

**What is your favorite food?** "My favorite food is everything, I like to eat everything."

**What is your favorite book?** "To be honest, I never finish reading [books]. I hate reading."

--Compiled by Dennis Ortiz

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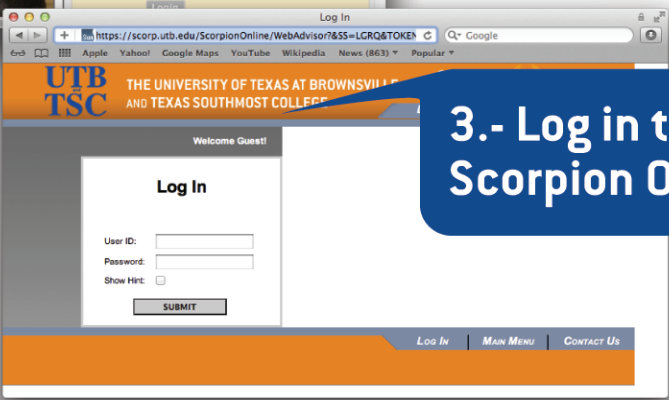
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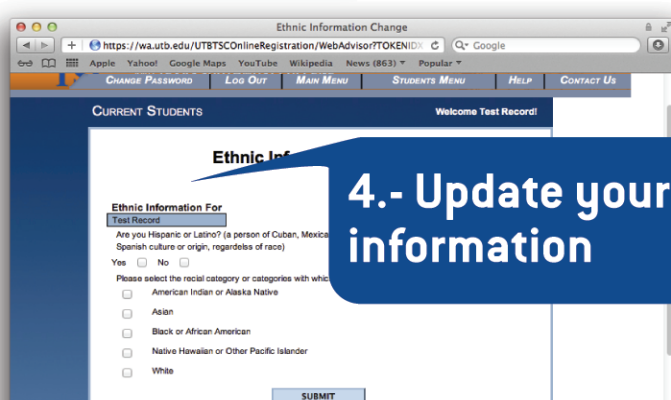
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